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Public meeting

Residents hear plans for new condo on Mountain St.



COSSA loss

Red Hawks return winless from central Ontario championships



Darren Lum Staff

Red Hawks snowboarder Greg Foster won gold at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association championships held at the Mansfield Ski Club on March 1. Foster is seeking sponsorship to compete at the nationals coming up.

Wins fuel student's Olympic dreams

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Just like the model airplanes scattered throughout his house, he's ready to soar.

Red Hawks snowboarder Greg Foster has greater reason to smile as he is coloured gold

after capturing the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) championship at the Mansfield Ski Club on March 1.

The 18-year-old Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) senior said he was shocked at the win when he heard his name announced.

"Standing at the back, thinking I wasn't going

to get it because I knew I was behind after the first run so I was thinking I've got to be second or third and then they didn't mention my name at all. Then they said my name [as the first place finisher]. 'Holy crap, I did it,' he said.

Entering the second run of a com-

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Police continue to investigate Trueman incident

➤ OPP looking for tips from the community

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

An investigation into an incident that occurred outside the Northwood bar on Dec. 18 is still ongoing, according to the OPP.

Alex Trueman, 20, was injured outside the Haliburton establishment at approximately 2:30 a.m. in what he called a hit and run.

Following the incident he was taken to the Haliburton hospital and later airlifted to

St. Michael's hospital in Toronto.

OPP were called to the scene outside the bar, where Trueman was found and treated for his injuries.

With no new evidence for the case the investigation by the OPP continues, said constable Sandy Adams.

"We're still waiting for any tips from the community," said Adams.

Until new information comes forward the investigation would continue.

Adams was unsure if there were any results being waited on from the centre of forensic science, which could take a few months to receive.

"That could point the investigation into one direction or another," said Adams.

The OPP have still not confirmed whether or not Trueman was struck by a vehicle outside the bar, said Adams.



Kite Boarding

Derek Louis, left, tries his hand at kite boarding across Head Lake, as wife, Sarah Louis, looks on in Haliburton on Wednesday, March 7. The husband and wife were enjoying the warm weather when the temperature reached a high of 12 degrees Celsius. Derek works for the Winterdance Dogsled Tours and was off from work.

Darren Lum Staff

Local MP talks robo calls

Lisa Gervais
QMI Agency

Local MP Barry Devolin spent a lot of time in the Speaker's chair the tail end of last week and early this week as the robo-call scandal continues in Ottawa.

"I do not recall any calls in our riding [Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock] telling [voters] to go to the wrong place to vote," Devolin said.

Devolin also reiterated leader Stephen Harper's comment that "absolutely, cate-

gorically, we had nothing to do with this."

Nevertheless, Devolin said it was a "serious allegation that needs to be gotten to the bottom of" and "Elections Canada is the entity that will be doing that."

Devolin said that the allegations are "traceable" since they have left an "electronic footprint."

However, he said it would take some time for Elections Canada to investigate, and likely involve court orders to pull people's phone records.

"The reality is at the end of the day, Elections Canada will find out."

Correction

Jerelyn Craden's ebook, *Maybelle's Cure For What Ails You* is available on Amazon.com, not Amazon.ca.

Liver Health and Hep C Team 4 Week Lunch and Learns Haliburton & Minden

Oshawa Community Health Centre's Liver Health and Hepatitis C Team will be holding a series of 4 information sessions (in the order below) from Noon to 1pm every first and third Friday in February and March.

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Head Lake ice contest begins

Sunday's warm weather jump-started this year's Head Lake Ice Contest. Send in your best guess for when the last lump of ice will melt from the waters of Haliburton's Head Lake. The winner receives a free one-year subscription to the *Haliburton Echo*. You can call in your guess (705-457-

1037); email it to halib.editor@sunmedia.ca or drop it off to the office at 146 Highland St. by March 29. Please include your name, phone number and the date and time that the last piece of ice will melt. (Other interesting anecdotes are also welcome.)



Graham Jones sent in this photo of a Lake Trout he caught on an undisclosed Haliburton lake. Got a great ice fishing photo? Send it in to jenn.watt@sunmedia.ca.

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Granite View development comes into question at public meeting

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

A proposed development planned for the corner of Mountain Street and Lake Avenue has some people questioning its impact on the neighbourhood.

Concerns about blasting and public safety were raised during a public meeting held in Dysart et al council chambers on March 5.

Public meeting committee members and municipal councillors Steve Pogue, Susan Norcross and Walt McKechnie chaired the meeting, which allowed members of the public to comment on four zoning applications on file with the municipality.

However it was the last item on the agenda that raised concerns, with neighbouring residents bringing up some issues with the proposed construction of the Granite View condominium.

Prior to the meeting the municipality had received four written submissions from neighbouring property owners Charron, Bain, Morrow and Tyers.

The letters included concerns of well protection, impact to property value, noise levels, increased traffic, building density and intrusion of privacy.

Developers Doug Gray and Pat Dube cleared up the misconception they had spoken to all the surrounding neighbours regarding the construction, saying they had spoken to some and spent the day meeting with more residents.

In order to build the three storey residential building, blasting would have to take place on the property.

"Hopefully the guy we select will know what he's doing," said Dube.

Barb Morrow asked the developer what sort of radius they would be looking at covering, in terms of affected neighbouring properties.

"I'm not sure," said Dube.

Unsatisfied with this answer Morrow said it was important for the developers to know this type of information.

"If it was a big problem they wouldn't allow blasting anywhere," said Gray, who added that blasting was a scary word.

"If we do damage we're not going anywhere," said Gray, referencing the current project underway on Head Lake by the same developers.

Another issue that was raised included the location of the development, with those in attendance concerned about public safety.

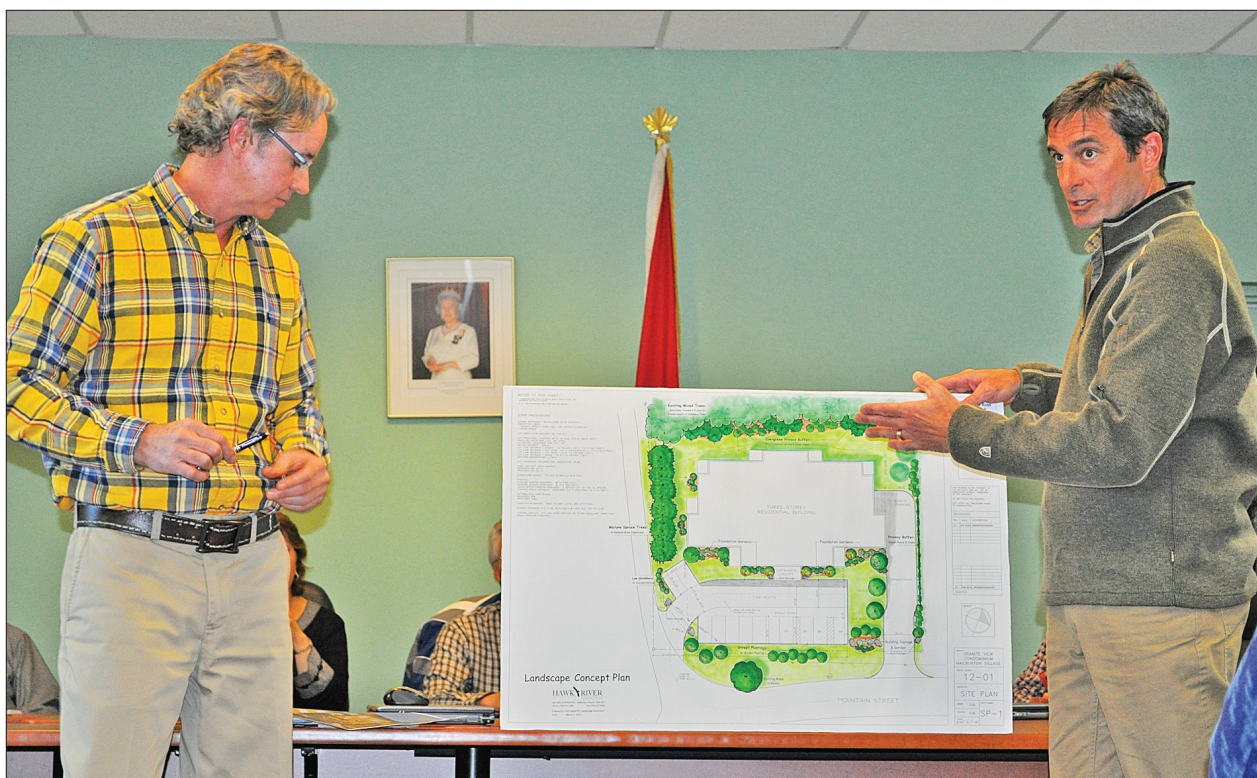
Parallel to Lake Avenue, which is a one way street, some were worried the road would become deadlocked in the summer with cars waiting up to 15 minutes to turn onto Highland Street.

Others were concerned about the location of the entranceways into Granite View, citing them as poor choices for those walking in and out of the building.

"It's in the best interest of the development," said Gray.

Alison Mack questioned municipal planner Pat Martin on the setback requirements and sewage capacity of the building, which Martin confirmed did adhere to municipal and provincial regulations.

With provincial requirements allowing 75 units per hectare, Mack questioned if classifying Granite View as a medium-density building exceeded standards set out by the Ontario Municipal Board.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Developers Doug Gray, left, and Pat Dube discuss the proposed plans for the Granite View condominium, to be built on the corner of Mountain Street and Lake Avenue, during a public meeting held in council chambers on March 5. The meeting allowed for questions from the public, before the development moves forward in the planning process.

The building equals out to approximately 30 units per acre, making it compliant, said Martin.

In response to safety concerns Mack suggested a parabolic mirror be installed on the corner of Mountain Street and Lake Avenue to help pedestrians and drivers with the obstructed view.

Committee members said public works director Brian Nicholson would be consulted to look at safety concerns that had been addressed during the meeting.

Stephen Foster commended the developers for recognizing a need for the price point to come down from the units available in Granite Cove, the development currently being constructed.

Foster pointed to a number of concerns with the project, including a need for sidewalks on both sides of Mountain Street.

"Could there be potential damage to streets and sewer lines, as I assume there will be an increase in heavy vehicle traffic?" asked Foster.

With an increase in heavy material and traffic making its way on the roads Foster believed there could be significant damage to the streets.

"Is it fair that the taxpayers will pick up this tab?" asked Foster.

With load restrictions in place by the municipality, the developers said they would respect those restrictions.

Foster also questioned water quality and whether or not this building would meet the housing needs of Haliburton Village.

"We discovered the need for this type of building dur-

ing the process of building Granite Cove ... In about two weeks we had 10 reservations for the building [Granite View]," said Gray.

Believing needs were market driven, Gray said there was a need for this type of building all over the province, perhaps even country.

With three different projects on the go, Martin said the municipality was looking at the needs of the community across the spectrum.

Gray pointed to the project as a way to keep the downtown of Haliburton healthy.

"You have to keep your downtown alive and to do that you have to keep people within walking distance. These units will add value to the village and the downtown," he said.

With plans to market the building throughout the spring, developers are confident they will be in the ground by August or September of this year.

Local property owner Pat Casey informed those at the meeting he would be filing paperwork with the municipality in the next 30 days to build a condominium obstructing the view of those living at Granite View.

Following the public meeting the committee recommended council approve the four zoning bylaw applications.

It was recommended the application regarding Granite View be approved subject to further discussion of the neighbours' concerns.

The zoning applications will be brought forth to council at their next scheduled meeting, set for March 26.

Approval for CT scanner hits snag

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Haliburton Highlands Health Services CEO Paul Rosebush is still hopeful that Haliburton County will receive approval for a new CT scanner, despite hitting a recent roadblock.

Rosebush was expecting approval for the machine to come sometime in February, instead receiving unwelcome news from the Ministry of Health.

"They're saying that we have to resubmit our proposal now as a capital project, instead of as a project under the Healing Arts Radiation Protection Act [HARPA]," said Rosebush.

The approval is subject to a different process than was initially outlined to staff at HHHS.

"Because this project entails a major capital build or renovation, the ministry is now saying they need to go through a whole new capital review and approval process," said Rosebush.

Working closely with the ministry on the project, the CEO believes the project will still be completed in a timely manner.

The Central East Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) recommended that HHHS resubmit the same application, said Rosebush.

It is Rosebush's understanding that the ministry is reviewing capital applications across the province.

"It is quite a lengthy process. I've advised the board and we're working on a strategy about how we're going to react to this," said Rosebush.

Former Liberal MPP Rick Johnson was the first to promise a new scanner, during his political campaign in the fall of 2011.

Despite being defeated by Conservative Laurie Scott, HHHS personnel confirmed that the process to obtain the medical machine would still be pursued.

Along with approval for the scanner, HHHS is also awaiting positive news regarding the palliative care suite.

"That's going to bring that into the conversation because it's our board preference to go at this with a phased approach ... we were planning to do the palliative project first fol-

lowed by the CT initiative, because we want to meet pressing needs first," said Rosebush.

Asked if there's a possibility either project could be denied approval the CEO said he wasn't sure but that he remained hopeful.

Despite reassurance from the LHIN that all the proper paperwork had been sent to the ministry, Rosebush is a little disappointed to have to go through a different process.

"Yes there is disappointment on our end but still some resilience that we can do this, but it will take a bit longer and we'll have to go through a few more steps to get there," said the CEO.

Fourth Curl for Care Bonspiel raises \$3,700

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation hosted another successful bonspiel at the Haliburton Curling Club on Saturday, March 10.

The fourth installment of Todd's Independent Curl for Care Bonspiel, raised \$3,700 for the Seeing is Believing campaign for new X-ray machines for the Haliburton and Minden hospitals. This event puts them closer to the \$300,000 goal with a total raised of \$230,000.

The foundation thanks volunteers,

Michelle Todd, Wendy Wilkins, Arden Harrop, Hunter McTeague and Tatum McTeague. This bonspiel would not be possible without the expert drawmaster Bob MacNaull and his wife Ann. They have volunteered for four years.

A great day thanks to Steve and Michelle Todd of Todd's Independent as they sponsor the dinner cooked by the Bonnie View Inn, lunch, prizes and raffle items.

First place: Bob MacNaull, Ann MacNaull, Tom Merriman and Morten Wiken. Second

place: Mitch Stephen, Wanda Ruddy, Brian Nicholson and Sue Nicholson. Third place: Ron Barr, Elaine Anderson, Jane Eyres and Brian Hambly. Fourth place: Don Wetmore,

Erin Wetmore, Wendy Miller and Dave Harris.

By Editorial Staff (with files from Dale Walker)



Darren Lum Staff

Erin Wetmore, flanked by Dave Harris and Wendy Miller, sweeping, watches her rock during the Todd's Independent Curl for Care Bonspiel hosted at the Haliburton Curling Club on Saturday, March 10. The fourth annual bonspiel raised \$3,700 for the Seeing is Believing campaign for new X-ray machines for Haliburton and Minden hospitals. This event has put the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation at \$230,000 of the \$300,000 goal.

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Eastern Ontario struggles with infrastructure costs

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter



It's the most comprehensive look that's been done on where we stand and what our needs are.

— County Warden
Murray Fearrey

The road is getting bumpy for municipalities in Eastern Ontario.

A recent report from the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus shows that local governments in this part of the province are grappling to pay for their infrastructure needs.

"Results of a comprehensive financial study of Eastern Ontario municipalities paint a sobering picture of a region struggling with a limited tax base, rising debt levels and a growing need to invest in infrastructure," a March 5 release from the EOWC reads.

The report, entitled *Facing Our Fiscal Challenges*, examined the 114 municipalities that comprise the region, 103 of them rural governments.

"Residents contribute almost 90 per cent of property taxes collected in the region's rural communities due to low levels of commercial and industrial activity," the report reads. "In addition, these residents are more likely to have lower incomes, be unemployed and be over the age of 65 compared with the rest of Ontario."

According to the report, municipal debt levels in the region have increased 300 per cent over the past decade and collectively, Eastern Ontario municipalities must find an additional \$500 million to \$600 million a year to maintain existing infrastructure.

Because they have fewer households, that burden is more difficult for rural municipalities to bear.

For example, while in a separated city the cost of rebuilding a one-kilometre lane of road is split between 25 households, in rural municipalities, it's split between five.

"It's the most comprehensive look that's been done on where we stand and what our needs are," said county Warden Murray Fearrey. "It's a tool in presenting [our case] to government."

With the federal and provincial governments facing austere fiscal years, there is no funding from either level on the horizon for 2012 and 2013 at this point is an unknown.

While there are a number of county infrastructure projects on the books, including bridge and culvert upgrades, the warden said none of them are what he would consider imminent.

"I don't think there's anything within the next two years, that I know of that's huge," Fearrey said. "I think we could probably go a year or two [with no funding], but if it starts to get into five and seven and eight, we're going to be in real trouble."

There are a number of bridges in the county that need repair work done within the next five years.

These include the Head Lake bridge on County Road 21 at about \$820,000; the Paudash Lake bridge on County Road 9 at \$235,000; the York River bridge on County Road 10 at \$222,500; the Gooderham bridge

on County Road 507 at \$180,000; and the Eagle Lake bridge on County Road 6 at \$165,000.

According to county engineer Roy Haig, these estimated figures could be conservative and the county should be looking at a dedication of about \$400,000 a year for the necessary rehabilitation.

The county has kept its debt low by reaching into its own pocket rather than borrowing money to fund capital projects.

Haliburton County's debt load at the end of last year was just more than \$300,000 and it will have its long-term debt paid off at the end of 2012.

"While the debt load in our case is quite good, the big challenge will be dealing with the growing infrastructure deficit," county chief administrative officer told the paper in an email. "The report notes a \$3 billion deficit across the Eastern Ontario study area for roads and structures with limited sources of funding to pay these costs. The county, like most rural municipalities in Eastern Ontario, has very modest reserves that can be used as working capital to fund infrastructure projects. This situation is further aggravated when combined with limited property tax revenue and uncertainty over what if any infrastructure funding will be available from the federal and the provincial governments in future years."

The county's working fund reserve is projected to be about \$1.5 million at year's end; its bridge reserves at approximately \$580,000.

Its total reserves will sit at approximately \$3.7 million.

Fearrey thought the report meant Eastern Ontario would be in a good position for funding when money is made available.

"When the economy turns around, it makes a point that we have done something that no one else has done and that

Eastern Ontario is not Southern Ontario or Central Ontario," he said. "I think it's a worthwhile tool."



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Be an ambassador

WE SHOULD ALL embrace the new tourism ambassador program. Funded jointly by the county and the local development corporation, businesses and individuals are being asked to sign up to be representatives of the Haliburton Highlands to tourists.

Volunteers get a quick customer service tutorial (about five minutes in length), a sign for their store (or car) window and a binder full of information on local sights, accommodations, eateries and more.

If successful, the ambassador program will effectively have created mini information kiosks throughout the entire Highlands.

The idea is brilliant for several reasons.

First, this county has a relatively small budget and within that, little is allocated to tourism development. Ambassadors are able to promote the area from their place of business with virtually no expense.

Second, some businesses could benefit from extra customer service training, be it five minutes or day-long sessions.

(There is talk of comprehensive customer service training to

be offered later in the year.) This undertaking offers a small bit of training for free.

And last, this area still suffers from the us-versus-them mentality in some circles.

One of the hopes of the project is to get everyone using the same vocabulary.

Where tourism is concerned, we are the "Haliburton Highlands" rather than "Haliburton County."



Jenn Watt
Editor

It sounds better and unites areas that are part of our wider community if not technically in our political boundaries, such as Kinmount and Norland.

By continuously branding ourselves as one unit, we also get out of habits of trash talking other towns and embrace the fact that we are a web with each town a nexus, all depending on our interconnections for survival.

There is a good chance the tourism ambassador program will catch on.

The window signs are attractive and distinctive and the program is painless to join and costs nothing.

The more people who sign up to be ambassadors, the better the entire area will fare.



Moonlit night

photo by Darren Lum

Raising awareness

MY DAUGHTER ATTENDS JDH Elementary School and the teachers there are very good about encouraging the kids to get involved and do things to help others in the community and around the world.

The school Me to We team is currently raising funds to build a school in Ecuador. I'm currently reading *The World Needs Your Kid - Raising Children who Care and Contribute* by Marc and Craig Kielburger (the creators of Me to We). While thinking about this article and what to write, I

came across a young inspiring Canadian girl who is making a difference for people who have epilepsy.

March is Epilepsy Awareness Month and is a condition of the brain that is characterized by recurrent seizures. It is near and dear to my heart because my husband has lived with epilepsy since he was 11 years old (he is healthy and happy and it is well managed by his medication and excellent medical care) and our family kitty - Senor Cecile (CC) Ramos started having seizures last August. He is also receiving treatment for his seizures and we are working to find the right combination for him. Apparently it is very rare for cats to have epilepsy/seizures. You cannot imagine how shocked I was when he started having them. Both men in my life have epilepsy!

Approximately one in 10 people will experience at least one seizure during a lifetime. The brain is made up of billions of nerve cells or neurons that communi-

cate through electrical and chemical signals. When there is a sudden excessive electrical discharge that disrupts the normal activity of the nerve cells, a seizure

may result. Monday March 26 is Purple Day - Global Day of Epilepsy Awareness.

Purple Day is an international grassroots effort dedicated to increasing awareness about epilepsy worldwide. On March 26 annually, people in countries around the world are invited to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness. In 2011, people in dozens of countries on all continents except Antarctica participated in Purple Day. Organizers are hoping the 2012 event will be even bigger.

Epilepsy affects over 50 million people worldwide or approximately one in 100 people. That's more than multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy and Parkinson's disease combined. Purple Day was founded in 2008, by nine-year-old Cassidy Megan of Nova Scotia, with the help of the Epilepsy Association of Nova Scotia. Cassidy chose the colour purple after the international colour for epilepsy, lavender. The lavender flower is also often associated with solitude, which is representative of the feelings of isolation many people affected by epilepsy and seizure disorders often feel. Cassidy's goal is for people with epilepsy everywhere to know they are not alone. To learn more about Cassidy and Global Purple Day, please visit www.purpleday.org.



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points of view

Thoughts on beans

SOMETIMES, AND AGAINST the advice of practically everyone who has ever known me, I let my mind wander. Usually, I permit it to travel back to much simpler times – days when I might have been perceived as smarter and taller. That's why last night I was thinking about the dawn of mankind or, to be more specific, about the discovery of beans at the dawn of mankind.

If you think about it, this must have been a momentous occasion for everyone within ear shot.

Oh sure, it's not exactly splitting the atom but, in some cases, it sure comes close.



Steve Galea
Loon Tales

Imagine, if you will, a simple tribe gathered around a camp fire on a cold and lonely winter's night.

Suddenly, a stranger who had been exiled from his own band for eating beans walks into the circle of light.

Even from a distance, the tribe can sense that there is an aura about him.

"Who are you?" they ask, as they brandish stone-aged weapons.

"My name is Tofu – but my people call me the Stripeless Skunk. I am a

traveller from over the hill," he replies.

"I have been exiled from my tribe for eating the forbidden musical fruit and for harnessing the power of the wind. Oh, and also for blaming it on the dog that one time..."

"Stand with your back to the fire, so that we might see you better," the great chief commands.

"Uh, I don't think you want me to do that," Tofu answers.

"Trust me. That's not wise."

"Do it," the chief commands as he waves a flint-tipped spear menacingly.

Months later, after most of the tribe's eyebrows have finally grown back, the group, under Tofu's leadership, has learned how to safely harness the incredible power of the bean.

And what an advantage this is.

It provides sustenance and, with the right duct work, warmth on lonely winter nights.

But it also gives them laughter and a way to scare off marauding carnivores or anything else with a sense of smell.

Yet, there is a down side, too. For one thing, no one visits anymore, unless it's for picnics on really windy days. And members of the tribe need to be especially careful around active volcanoes.

Productivity has also taken a nose dive.

Since clothes pins and actual fans will not have been invented for several hundred more years, the people of the Skunk can only use one hand at a time, which is why they are also deemed a tough crowd by travelling minstrels seeking applause.

The point, if there is one, is that this must have been a huge change for the people who were first exposed to the cultural effects of beans.

If you think about it, the lowly bean might also explain early man's preference for ramps and stairs over elevators. And for the invention of windows that open.

In any case, this is where my mind wandered last night.

And no matter what my friends say, I think this is a great exercise that makes you thankful for the things we take for granted.

For instance, I am appreciative that our ancestors went through this first, as well as for the delicious black bean sauce we had for dinner, and for the fact that we have dogs to blame it on, windows that open, no active volcanoes nearby and stairs, rather than elevators, in my house....



pic of the past

Gren Schrader's grandmother's (and Bryan and Margaret Sharples) maternal grandmother who resides in a private burial plot. Lot 8, Con. 7 Snowdon Township. The township takes its name from Snowdon in Wales. Her name is Annis (Parrington) Lindsay from Dent, England and she was interred in 1887. According to "Heraldry" information, the Parrington name is of Welsh origin. Photo submitted by Gren and Donna Schrader.

letters to the editor

What happened?

To the Editor,

What happened to the "tough on crime" prime minister?

Did he suddenly change into the "tough on crime committed by others" PM?

Dennis Choptiany
Markham

Fan mail

To the Editor,

I wanted to let you know that I am a great fan of Greg Roe's "Music Notes." Brimming with information about music and musicians, his columns contain nuggets of gentle humour and clearly convey his passion for those sounds that beckon to us all.

In my opinion, "Music Notes" is worth the price of the entire paper.

Guy Pritchard
Eagle Lake

Email your letter to the Editor
to editor@haliburtonecho.ca

Positive response

To the Editor,

P4P has had to reconfigure its model because circumstances have changed significantly since our first project in 2009. Then, because we had no history and no assets, mortgage money was hard to come by. Now that is easier – we're a good investment. In 2009, a \$24,000 per unit grant was available from the federal government for renovation. That has now disappeared, downloaded to the province without accompanying funds. Rent subsidy that was readily available to our Haliburton property through a program administered and endowed via City of Kawartha Lakes, is not available to new projects. And the county elected to not subscribe to the alternative rent supplement program that is available to bridge between what tenants can afford to pay and what we, as landlords, need to realize reliably to sustain the property.

Our operating model has to accommodate these changes. We opted for a building that required relatively little renovation and no zoning changes (time costs money). We are prepared to raise money to buy down the mortgage by about \$50,000 – the same as we raised to offset renovation costs in our Haliburton property – so that rents affordable to the "working poor" can support the property into the future. The alternative was a) not expanding, b) renting at rates affordable to the top half of our demography.

Initial response from the community to this choice has been very positive. Be in touch at info@placesfor-people.ca if you want to be part of the action going forward.

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business briefs

Furniture shop moves to new, larger location

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Haliburton Furniture will have an expanded home as the store gets set to move to the lower level of Stedman's Mall before the end of this month.

The store's final day in its former location of 213 Highland St. was set to be March 9, with plans of moving immediately to the new space, said George Starr.

The owner was excited about the new location, which will give the store almost twice as much floor space as it had.

"The store that I have right now is only 1,800 square feet and the new one is about 3,400, so there is a big difference ... For a furniture store it's going to be the ideal size," said Starr.

The owner plans to host a grand opening sale at the new location in June.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Haliburton Furniture will soon be finding a new home in the lower level of V & S Stedman's Mall, with plans to move to the location mid-March.

Home store closing its doors for good

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

By the end of this month Kitchens Etcetera will no longer be open for business.

Located at 183 Highland St., the store was owned and operated by Mary Chvedukas for the past 12 years.

"It was a labour of love," she said.

Chvedukas, 56, plans to leave the area and move to Toronto with her children.

The retail space has been leased out again, taking effect April 1, said Chvedukas, however she does not know what is moving into the location.

Although sad about closing the store, Chvedukas is excited about the new chapter in her life.



Right, home store Kitchens Etcetera will be closing its doors at the end of March. After a 12 year run in Haliburton, owner Mary Chvedukas plans to leave the area.

Bargain retailer on the hunt for a new space

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

It's in need of a new home.

Needful Things is on the hunt for a new retail space after the owners were given notice they had to leave their current location of 211 Highland St. in four weeks.

The store is vacating its current spot as of March 10, said owner and operator Rhonda Cooper.

Open since 2007, the discount store sells miscellaneous items such as toys, cards and decorations.

The owners hope to find a new location in the near future.

"There's not much available for the size we need," said Cooper.

The owner is unsure of what is happening to the retail location once her store is gone.

Right, Needful Things, located at 211 Highland St, is currently searching for a new location to move to.



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Annual event helps to build relationships with youth



Darren Lum Staff

The Ontario Provincial Police hockey team had reason to celebrate during an exhibition game against the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 8s held at the Dysart Arena in Haliburton on Thursday, March 8. The annual event, which has been run more than 10 years, helps to build relationships with youth of the area.



J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School Grade 8 student hockey player is covered by a Ontario Provincial Police hockey team member.



Fans cheer for their teams in the stands.

White-nose syndrome wiping out bats

Three species were recently labelled endangered as a result of the disease

Jenn Watt
Editor

Three local bat species were recently labelled endangered by an intergovernmental wildlife agency due to the effects of white-nose syndrome.

The tri-coloured bat, little brown myotis and northern myotis have all been identified as “facing imminent extirpation or extinction” due to the fast-spreading fungus that has reduced populations by upwards of 90 per cent within two years of exposure.

The Minden/Bancroft region of the Ministry of Natural Resources was the first in Ontario to detect the disease in the bat population.

Since that time, it has spread quickly.

“Nine hibernation sites in the southern region of Ontario [including one in the county], where we have data, have shown significant population decline,” the ministry’s renewable energy science specialist wrote in an email to the paper.

“We continue to monitor and gather information on other known bat populations across the province,” Lesley Hale wrote.

White-nose syndrome kills bats by interrupting their hibernation period, using up their fat reserves.

The endangered assessment came from the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada, which has members from each provincial wildlife agency, Parks Canada, the Canadian Wildlife Service, Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Canadian Museum of Nature, among others.

Their assessment is taken under advisement by the federal Ministry of the Environment to be listed under the Species at Risk Act.

There is no known cure for the disease, though several studies are being done on the bats across the province, Hale says.

“These studies include winter monitoring of bat hibernacula across the province for the presence of day-flying bats or dead bats near the entrances of caves and abandoned mines. Summer studies include acoustic transects

looking at trends of bat activity from year to year, maternity colony exit counts to determine female population declines and reproductive success,” wrote Hale.

The three bat species listed by the committee are all cave bats and are also the ones easiest to study.

Hale says it’s unclear whether the silver-haired bat, eastern red bat or hoary bat (all

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Currently, there is no method of controlling the fungus in regards to transmission from bat to bat.

— Lesley Hale, MNR

tree-dwellers) are in decline since there is no data on their species.

White-nose syndrome has no known effect on humans, but people can unwittingly spread the disease if they travel from a cave with infected bats to one without.

“Currently, there is no method of controlling the fungus in regards to transmission from bat to bat,” Hale says.

“However, there is the risk of transmission by humans and it is imperative that people refrain from entering hibernation sites during the winter and that cavers [people who frequent caves] take extreme care in following strict decontamination protocols when moving between caves.”

The wildlife committee is asking the public to report any dead bats or bats flying around outside on cold winter days to the Ministry of Natural Resources.

There is no known cure for white-nose syndrome, so the best actions are to slow the spread while the disease is being studied, Hale says.

“More research is needed to fully understand the mechanisms of the fungus’s ability to disrupt bats in hibernation before any methods of control can be developed. But there is a sense of urgency for researchers as the effects of the fungus are so rapid and extreme.”

There are eight bat species in Haliburton.

County councillors look for hatchery funding

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

County representatives were fishing for funding for the Haliburton Fish Hatchery during the Ontario Good Roads Association/Rural Ontario Municipal Association conference in Toronto earlier this month.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid, Algonquin Highlands Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen, Dysart et al Deputy-reeve Bill Davis and county chief administrative official Jim Wilson met with members of the Ministry of Natural Resources about funding for the facility and others like it.

“We spoke to the ministry about the importance of our Haliburton Fish Hatchery in propagating the unique Haliburton Gold species and the essential link between the fish hatchery and the essential link between the hatchery and sport fishing in Haliburton County,” Reid wrote in an email. “We asked the ministry to consider adding a small surtax to fishing licences that would be allocated to fish hatcheries. We emphasized that this proposal required no addi-

tional funding from the ministry and the idea seemed to be well received.”

According to Reid, one parliamentary assistant seemed particularly interested in the idea and suggested there may be some opportunity through Tourism Ontario.

Haliburton’s Fish Hatchery, operated by the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, has been struggling financially in recent years.

While the county had funded the facility at \$20,000 a year for four years, it has dropped that funding back to \$15,000 this year, and will be continuing to decrease the grant during this term of council.

At one time, the MNR provided the hatchery with \$25,000 a year, however, that was cut to \$12,000 and this year, the hatchery is receiving no funding from the ministry.

Members of the HHOA have been working on programming and tourism projects at the hatchery in an attempt to make it more self-sufficient.

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Businesses asked to join ambassador program

Jenn Watt
Editor

In an effort to present a unified tourism experience to visitors, the county has launched a tourism ambassador program across the Haliburton Highlands.

Designed to improve customer service and convert business owners into tourism representatives, the initiative is now looking for participants.

"The county established the tourism ambassador as a point of contact [with visitors]," said Barrie Martin, who was contracted to kick start the program.

An ambassador is required to "be friendly with customers who come in and be a point of information for the customer," he says.

As was announced last month, being an ambassador means committing to helping visitors experience the best of the Highlands and includes a window sign that indicates the business is participating.

There is also a "flash" customer service training delivered in about five minutes to ensure everyone is on the same page.

Martin said last week that the program will be giving out binders of up-to-date tourism information for those who choose to be ambassadors.

"This is just a start," Martin said, "and some businesses are very good at [customer service] and some aren't."

The goal is to get everyone up to the same standard.

Along with Sean Pennylegion and Karra Wesley, Martin will be approaching businesses that are likely to interact with people seeking more information, such as convenience stores and gas stations.

However, they are hoping to get as many retailers and service providers on board as they can.

While there will be obvious competition between ambassadors (will one restaurant owner want to refer customers to another restaurant if they ask?), Martin said there needs to be a spirit of collaboration to make the Haliburton Highlands a pleasant place to visit.

"The important thing is getting people up here [to the Highlands] whether they eat at this restaurant or that restaurant," Martin said.

"We're saying let's work together and get people to the county."

It is free to be an ambassador. All you need to do is con-

tact Yours Outdoors at 705-754-3436 or email info@your-southdoors.ca.

Individuals can also be ambassadors and Martin notes they can affix the sign to the window of their car.

Martin's role in the project was made possible through county and Haliburton County Development Corporation funding.



Jenn Watt Staff

Heritage House Cafe owner Nicola Jowett places a tourism ambassador sign into the front window of her restaurant on Pine Avenue. The program welcomes visitors into local businesses to find tourism information.

Advertorial

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March 2012

Selling your property may be something you have thought of for some time now, a normal time frame while "sitting on the fence" is 2 years before people will actually pull the trigger and decide to sell. A thought however that does enter most minds when thinking of selling, "is there anything I can do to help sell or increase the value of my property?"

There is a real movement in general for people selling to seek this advice, sometimes it is from a realtor, sometimes its parents and sometimes a general contractor, the point is there are incredible opportunities to understanding what to do, how to do it, how much it will cost in relation to what the return will be and a time frame for preparation and completion to expose a property to the open real estate market in its "best" state, one that will bring back the most money.

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Greg and Diane Cartwright, Four Mile Lake, Fall 2010

There is a change in the marketplace, a change that is taking place that most people don't see or understand and that change is preparation, staging and understanding how to "maximize" value. I have been involved in more than a few of these stories, ALL with tremendous success and overall great experiences... I have to say also that I have had Sellers change their minds due to the incredible difference it made to the property, they just didn't think it could look that good.

Part of being a real estate professional is to fully take care of my clients, not just come up with a price out of thin air, put up a for sale sign, take a few photos and "hope", no, it is meeting with my client, analyzing the property and making professional suggestions as to changes that could be made to impact saleability and maximize value. Having said that, there are many, many properties that need nothing at all but in my 25 years of professional real estate experience more than 50% could have used some changes and those changes would have landed a lot more money in the Sellers' pockets.

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Annual Wild Game Dinner sells out



Darren Lum Staff

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association Wild Game Dinner drew 200 people to the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton on Saturday, March 10. It had them coming from all over to indulge in a variety of game that included more than 200 pounds of meat such as bear, moose, wild boar, pheasant, beaver, buffalo and elk, including rainbow trout and Arctic char.



Volunteer Graham Jones sears some bear meat in preparation for this year's Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association annual Wild Game Dinner held at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton on Saturday, March 10.



The menu included sides such as potatoes, coleslaw, baked beans and a cottage cake made by Laurie Curry, who used her grandmother's recipe.

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DeBruin riding well in Iditarod

Ed and Sue Yallop have been taking in a thrilling race in Alaska this past week.

The owners of That Place in Carnarvon restaurant travelled north to watch Haliburtonian Hank DeBruin and his team of dogs run the Iditarod, also known as the "last great race on earth."

She wrote in an email to the paper that they were enjoying their time, reporting from Willow, Alaska, she said even being a spectator was an adventure.

"It was a beautiful and sunny afternoon with Mount McKinley visible in the distance," Sue wrote.

"We were given credentials by Hank and [his wife and business co-owner] Tanya allowing us to go behind the scenes"

Updates on the status of DeBruin's sled are published daily on the Winterdance

Dogsled Tours Facebook page and his progress can be tracked in real time through Iditarod.com.

As of Monday, March 12, he had made it as far as Nulato with 13 dogs. He started the race with 16, but some have been dropped including Jay, who was having problems with overheating, the Winterdance page reports.

According to Iditarod.com, DeBruin has been travelling at speeds between 10 and 4 ½ miles per hour and was in 48th place of 57 participants.

Nine racers have dropped out.

The race is about 1,049 miles (1,688 kilometres) from Anchorage to Nome, Alaska, and takes between 10 and 17 days to complete.

They started March 3.



Haliburton musher Hank DeBruin gets the dogs moving in Willow, Alaska, at the restart during this year's Iditarod race. Photo courtesy of Nikolay Etyne

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Taxi drivers face fines

Health unit cracks down on illegal smoking in taxis after receiving repeated complaints

Local public health officials are advising that smoking in taxis will not be tolerated in this area.

In the last few months, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit has issued three charges under the Smoke-Free Ontario Act for incidents involving smoking in taxis in Northumberland County. Two of the charges have been laid against taxi drivers. A third charge was made against a local cab company, which was found guilty in provincial offences court in January. Each charge carries with it a minimum \$305 fine.

The health unit received several public complaints last year about smoking in taxis in Northumberland, the City of Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton County. As a result, health unit staff warned two local cab services that smoking is not allowed in their vehicles.

"However, we were still hearing concerns about smoking in cabs, so it was clear we needed to do more to enforce the law," says Lorne Jordan, a tobacco control officer with the health unit.

Under the Smoke-Free Ontario Act, smoking is prohibited in taxis because they are considered workplaces. The ban applies to all "fleet" vehicles in which people drive for work, including delivery trucks, courier vehicles, municipal vehicles, tow trucks and others. According to Jordan, smoking in taxis breaches the Smoke-Free Ontario Act in another way, as cabs are also consid-

ered enclosed public places. "People expect to be able to get into a cab without breathing in deadly second-hand smoke," he says. "We want taxi drivers and cab companies to respect that right, or they will be fined."

Even if cabbies smoke in taxis when they are alone, their passengers can still be exposed to "third-hand smoke," Jordan says. Research shows that toxins from cigarette smoke linger in carpets, clothes and other materials for days after a cigarette is put out, and this can pose a health hazard especially for infants and children. "Third-hand smoke is a huge concern," he adds, "because people need to realize that cigarette smoke has lots of chemicals in it, like cyanide and arsenic. Those chemicals just don't float away by rolling down the window a couple of inches."

Jordan says taxi companies in the area should follow "due diligence" practices to ensure their drivers are not smoking in cabs. Companies should have written policies and consequences in place as part of their driver training that clearly state smoking is prohibited in taxis. Drivers should understand the ban and sign off on it, and cab companies should also monitor their drivers to ensure they are in compliance.

"There are cab companies and drivers in this area who respect the law and know that a smoking ban in cabs is better for business," says Jordan. "For those still breaking the rules, we want to work with them to ensure there is compliance across the entire taxi industry."

The health unit can provide free no-smoking policy kits, fact sheets about how the Smoke-Free Ontario Act applies to employers and employees and no-smoking signs for use in cabs. More information on the act and how to comply with it are available by contacting the health unit at 1-866-888-4577 or info@hkpr.on.ca.

Reserve users unite against MNR proposal

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Solidarity is proving to be the key feature of a consolidated effort to be heard by the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) regarding the management of the Clear Lake Conservation Reserve and Dawson Ponds and Plastic Lake Conservation Reserve.

Normally in opposing camps when it comes to land use, the seasonal, year-round residents, hunters, and recreational users rallied to preserve their way of life at a recent public meeting hosted by the Friends of Clear Lake Heritage Trails Association at the West Guilford Community Centre this past Saturday.

More than 150 people came out to show their support and learn about the MNR's Proposed Preliminary Management Statement of the reserve areas that involve the expansion of the reserve, and prohibition of trail maintenance, cached boats, motorized vehicle use on logging trails and power generation to the area. This concerted effort includes a petition and letter writing campaign to gain the attention of the government and the MNR.

Mike Brook, Friends of Clear Lake Heritage Trails Association vice president, urged the audience to get their message across before the management statement is pushed through.

"What's going to get noise is all of us saying, 'We're voters. We live in Ontario. We pay taxes. We're citizens. You're doing a wrong thing so let's think about it again,'" he said.

This group wants the MNR to recall the proposed management statement to correct factual inaccuracies and allow open discussion with local groups to negotiate fair terms of responsible community use. They believe everyone ultimately wants the same thing, which is the preservation of the reserves.

These reserves are right on the boundary of Dysart and Algonquin Highlands and are bordered by Kennisis Lake, Red Pine Lake, Big Hawk Lake and Little Hawk Lake. It became a protected reserve in 1997.

The MNR, who had fielded questions initially about the management statement during their open house meeting in Stanhope on Feb. 16, was invited to this meeting, but were unable to send a representative. It has consulted with five aboriginal communities in the Orillia, Port Perry and Peterborough areas, including the Haliburton Highlands Water Trails, but did not consult with the Friends of Clear Lake.

The Friends contend more consultation is important for responsible management since the users and residents on the reserve have been de facto stewards. The management statement's elimination of logging trails ignores the historic responsible usage by locals and visitors, they say.

Since this meeting, the MNR has extended the deadline to the implementation to April 25 according to Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey, who spoke in support of this group.

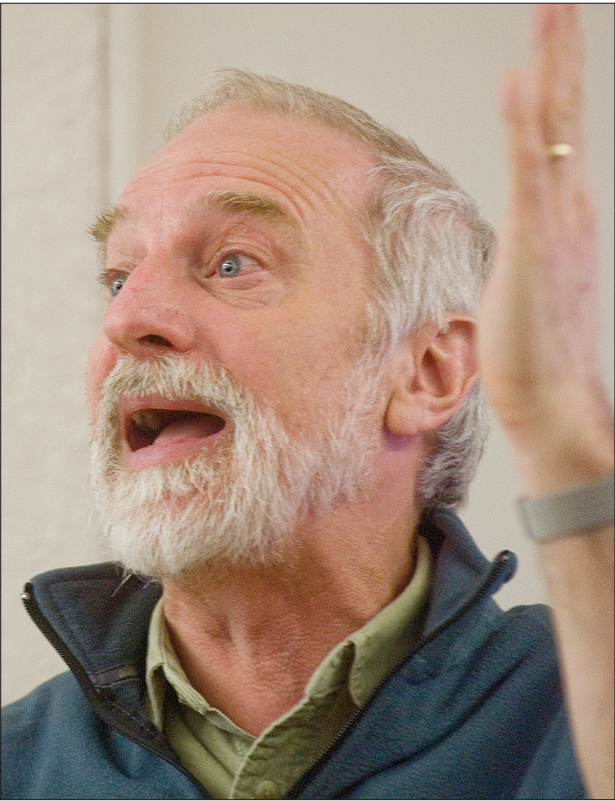
"This is just another case where the MNR have a policy to take your rights away. We had this fight before ... when they tried to stop snowmobiling on the hydro port. This is a time when we all need to stand together and we need to make the case there are no erosion of MNR concerns," he said. "I think you have a strong case here."

Councillor Dennis Casey attended the meeting with Fearrey, who said he will present a resolution to his council and will go to the minister to have him reconsider this action.

Near the end of the meeting Brook encouraged everyone to write letters or emails to the minister, deputy minister and MPP Laurie Scott with return addresses for greater weight. He emphasized the time to act is now before it is too late.

"Otherwise I suspect once it's done to try to get it undone is much harder. So this is the time to call out the troops to get people to respond and make our voices heard," Brook said.

Anyone interested in copies of the letters being sent out on behalf of the group can call Peter Hewitt at 705-754-0521.



Darren Lum Staff

Friends of Clear Lake Heritage Trails Association Meeting vice president Mike Brook addresses more than 150 concerned people at a meeting to gain the attention of the Ministry of Natural Resources about changes to the use of the Clear Lake Conservation Reserve.

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Nestled in the Haliburton Highlands, the school offers more than 350 courses and workshops for summer 2012. Beginners, professionals, individuals and families can be immersed in a rich experience that can be energizing or reflective and relaxing.

The 2012 course calendar features painting, pottery, photography, glassblowing, doll making, writing, jewelry, guitar, ukulele, sculpture, a youth course on building a skateboard deck, and more.

"It's so much more than just an art school. The mix of ages, techniques, skill levels and extra-curricular activities generates a creative energy that new students marvel at and returning students look forward to being a part of each year," says Shelley Schell, the co-ordinator of the summer program.

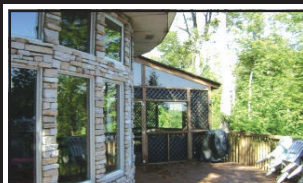
"Beyond the classroom doors there are gallery receptions, art talks, walk-about exhibitions, entertainment and instructor features. The local galleries, shops, summer theatre and Haliburton Sculpture Forest play a significant role in a creative immersion in the Haliburton Highlands."

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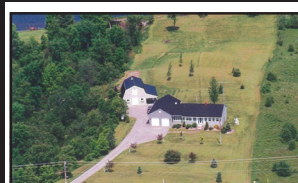
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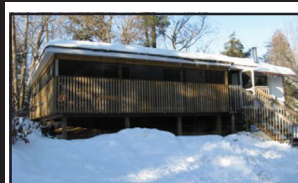
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Legion gives to Parker's walk for diabetes research

Jenn Watt
Editor

Stacey Pietryszyn's set a lofty goal for 2012.

She's planning to raise \$12,000 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation in support of her son Parker, 4, who has Type 1 diabetes.

"He's the only one in Haliburton right now ... it's not super common," Pietryszyn said in an interview last week.

When Parker was first diagnosed with diabetes he was just two years old.

Since that time he and his family have learned to cope with it, administering about five insulin needles a day and checking blood sugar 10 times daily.

(Last year, the *Haliburton Echo* wrote a story about Parker's experience and legislation that could help schools better accommodate students with diabetes.)

Diabetes is an autoimmune disease that can lead to heart disease, blindness and kidney disease among other things.

To find a cure, Pietryszyn participates in the Telus Walk to Cure Diabetes in Peterborough.

The first year, she raised \$5,400, in the second it was about \$2,800.

This year they got a head start when the Haliburton Legion branch gave them \$500 toward the cause.

The money comes from various activities the Legion hosts each month including the lottery fund, meat draw and bingo, branch president Carla Watson said.

Pietryszyn is raising money for the walk not just to provide funds to the research foundation, but also to raise awareness of the disease to friends, family and the community.

Because she caught the first signs of Type 1 diabetes, Pie-

tryszyn got Parker to the hospital early, avoiding having him put on an IV.

"I listened to my gut and I know some of the symptoms," she said.

The sign Parker showed were excessive thirst.

"He started drinking like crazy," she said.

Other symptoms include frequent urination, sudden weight loss, laboured breathing, sudden vision changes, fruity odour on breath, drowsiness and stupor, according to the foundation. (Go to www.jdrf.ca for more.)

There are many misconceptions about the Type 1 diabetes, too, Pietryszyn said.

"The biggest misconception is people say I fed him too much sugar," she said.

To contribute to Pietryszyn's \$12,000 goal, you can send cheques payable to JDRF to Parker Pietryszyn, Box 392, Haliburton, ON, K0M 1S0.

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The Haliburton Legion branch donated \$500 to Parker Pietryszyn's \$12,000 fundraising goal for juvenile diabetes on March 6. Parker sits with his mother Stacy Pietryszyn at the Legion Tuesday evening along with Stacy's partner Jason Boylan, back row left. In the back row, Legion branch president Carla Watson and first vice Jack Greavette were proud to donate the money, which comes from lotteries, meat draws and bingo.



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Snowboard nationals is where Foster hopes to impress

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bined average run time, Foster was facing an uphill battle, needing to finish in the first or second spot to take it all. The second run was on a completely different course and was faster, which led to him improving on his initial run by more than three seconds.

He ended up besting his second-place competitor Adam Varao by five-one-hundredths of a second with an average time of a 69.94.

Despite snowboarding with an alpine board since January, the 6'1" athlete has shown promising results in addition to the OFSAA gold such as a first place at an Association of Ontario Snowboarders provincial championship parallel giant slalom event a few days after. He said much of his development is owed to watching clips from YouTube and applying what he saw at the slopes.

Alpine team head coach Mike Towers of the Ontario Snowboard Club, which gives competitors the training opportunities to work towards a competitive career, has also recognized his progress and skill.

Towers has been encouraging because of Foster's drive

and riding form and has been in regular contact with Foster and his mother about coaching and being part of the club.

Foster, who works at the Sir Sam's Ski and Summer Resort as a snowboarding instructor, has been riding for six years. The muscularly lean athlete, who shows a quiet discipline in everything he does, realizes several differences from freestyle to alpine riding such as the more forward relaxed stance and how being on the edge is not only a saying, but a necessary skill for success.

He's the consummate hard worker and an all-around athlete whether it's mountain biking or competing for the high school soccer, wrestling and rugby teams.

Ever since he was seven years old, he has been setting his sights on bigger things his mother, Lois, said.

"Ever since I was little I wanted to go to the Olympics and during the Olympics I've watched Jasey-Jay Anderson win gold several times ... if I go to the Olympics I can possibly face him," he said.

Anderson is the most decorated Canadian snowboarder with four World Championship titles, a gold medal from the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, 61 FIS World Cup

podium finishes and 27 World Cup victories.

With one FIS competition, in which he finished 20th in a field dominated by experienced national competitors, he is closer to making his dream a reality. This was a humbling experience, but he takes solace in knowing he did his best and has room for improvement. His mother points out missing a course inspection didn't help him so subsequent FIS races will be looked to for assessment.

The Snowboard Nationals competition held in Nakiska, Alta., from April 1 to April 7 is where he hopes to show his best, as impressing coaches and sponsors will be important to making the national snowboard team for the 2014 Sochi Olympics.

"That's your key to get on the national team," he said.

The soon-to-be graduate of HHSS, who plans to attend Georgian College for welding, knows making the Olympics will not happen overnight, but believes showing well at the nationals is an important step.

His mother realistically believes her son isn't likely to win but will benefit from the experience.

Foster and his mother want the community to be a big part of his dreams with financial help, as every Olympic Canadian hopeful needs all the support he or she can get to cover travel, equipment and training costs.

His mother has been working towards a plan for fundraising that will include 150 \$100 sponsorships to be successful. In addition, she plans on setting up a bank account for anyone interested in depositing money for his cause.

She remembers her son doing quite well when he was seven, racing in the Sir Sam's snowboard race series. A coach even asked about his inclusion on a team, but she thought her son would be better served to not get into one sport until he was psychologically ready for such a commitment.

"I wanted him to get a good head on his shoulders before he actually goes for it so now that he's 18 ... he still has that same drive. He's a machine physically. He just pushes himself so hard. He just pushes himself to the limit when he is doing any sport," she said.

Call the Fosters for more information regarding sponsorship at 705-489-1038.



Algonquin

INSPECTION

Inspection of Approved 2012-2013 Annual Work Schedule Algonquin Park Forest

The Algonquin Park Office of the Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** has reviewed and approved the **Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA)** April 1, 2012-March 31, 2013 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Algonquin Park Forest**.

Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection at the AFA offices in Huntsville and Pembroke and the MNR public website at ontario.ca/forestplans beginning **March 15, 2012** and throughout the one-year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres provide access to the Internet.

Scheduled Forest Management Operations

The AWS describes forest management activities such as road construction, maintenance and decommissioning, forestry aggregate pits, harvest, site preparation, tree planting and tending that are scheduled to occur during the year. Once forestry operations are complete, water crossings are removed on operational roads to restore natural drainage and remove responsibility for ongoing maintenance. Beyond Park access points all forest access roads are closed to the general public.

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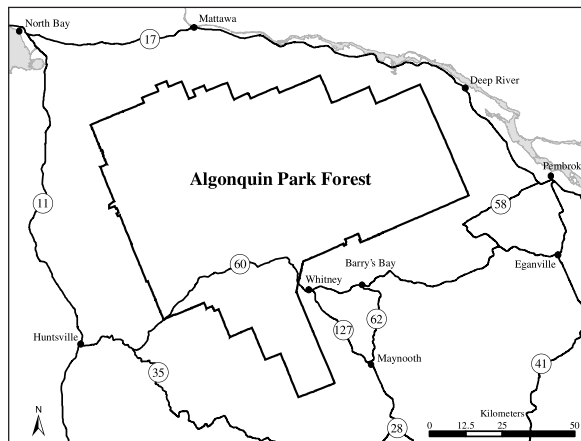
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Red Hawks snowboarder Greg Foster won gold at the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association championships held at the Mansfield Ski Club on March 1. Foster is seeking sponsorship to compete at the nationals coming up.



2012 Wedding Guide



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Most Canadians have their tax deductions collected by their employer. Employers calculate the amount of deductions based on the information provided by an employee on a TD1 Form. It is quite common for employees to fill out only one TD1 Form and

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It is important to remember changes in your life impact how much tax is withheld. Though it is always nice to get a tax refund, it is even better not to pay the money to the government in the first place.

If you get married or have children, your situation has changed. You should ask your payroll or human resources department for a new TD1 Form. The updated information should be used to recalculate the amount of tax withheld. Or if you are eligible for a new tax credit, you could also need to fill out a new TD1 Form. It can make a difference.

For example, the Child Tax Credit is based on \$2,131 for each child born in 1994 or later. If you qualify for the benefit, filling out a revised TD1 may result in slightly less tax being withheld by your employer. Have you had any life changes in the last few months?

- Are you a single parent with a child who turned 18 last year?
- Did you get married?
- Is your spouse earning

significantly more income this year?

- Did your spouse quit their job to stay-at-home with the children?
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The 2012 bride is looking for a “country garden,” “vintage” or “woodland rustic” theme. The majority of bouquets are hand-tied where the flowers are gathered together and the stems bound with satin or sheer ribbon. Cascade styles, however, are starting to make a comeback.

Bouquets convey the bride’s originality and can showcase her personality with a bright, playful colour pallet—hot choices such as brilliant pinks, coupled with oranges or purples are good examples. The shades of the ever popular gerbera daisy are now virtually endless and always make a statement. If looking for “bling,” wired beads, jewel pins and rhinestone picks all add sparkle and glamour.

The soft, romantic bouquet of pastels is classic and timeless—peonies with their heavenly scent, open roses or hydrangeas can all contribute to the soft ambience. There is beauty in the elegance of simplicity.

Lime green is in! It really pops and works equally well with hot colours or pastels. Lime green flower choices include fujie and button chrysanthemums, roses, hydrangeas, carnations, orchids and berries not to mention various foliages.

Along with flowers, other natural elements are becoming more and more popular in our cottage country weddings. The “woodland rustic” theme can incorporate moss, birch bark, pinecones, twigs, cattails, oak leaves and feathers. The seasons often dictate, in part, the

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Things to consider when a bridesmaid is pregnant

Brides-to-be thinking of asking a pregnant friend or family member to be in the bridal party should know such a request is common. Recent findings indicate that around half of all weddings now have at least one member of the bridal party showing off a baby bump -- sometimes it's even the bride herself.

Barring a medical condition, there is no reason a pregnant woman can't be in the wedding and fulfill her obligations, so feel free to invite that special someone to be in the wedding. There are just a few things to consider to help make it easier on everyone involved. Think over these things.

Gowns: One of the things brides and bridesmaids often fret about is the gown they will be wearing. While non-pregnant members of the bridal party won't fluctuate much in weight from the day of their first fittings to the wedding day, a pregnant woman is growing with new life within her from the moment of conception. This will have to be taken into consideration. Some maternity designers create bridesmaid dresses for pregnant women, but they may not exactly match the other gowns in mind. Ask the bridal store if alterations can be made to a standard gown,

including ordering a much larger size, adding elastic panels or another way to ensure the gown will stretch over a growing belly. Also, be considerate and choose a gown in an empire waist style so that it is flattering for the pregnant bridesmaid.

Shoes: While pregnant, some women's feet swell. Having strict restrictions on footwear can make a pregnant woman uncomfortable. Low heels or ballerina slippers can be comfortable and fashionable. The other members of the bridal party may also thank you for choosing a sensible shoe.

Breaks: Many activities during the wedding are bound to be tiring. But someone who is pregnant may feel it more than others. Ensure your mama-to-be has ample time to sit and rest. Also, try to have planning meetings near a restroom where she will be comfortable.

Nonalcoholic drinks: From bachelorette parties to the wedding itself, be sure there are plenty of nonalcoholic and decaffeinated drinks she can enjoy. Pregnant women need to have a lot of water to meet the physical demand of pregnancy as well.

Travel: In the latter months of the pregnancy, many doctors advise



Having a pregnant friend or family member as a bridesmaid just takes a little extra planning.

against air travel. Spending long hours in a car may be uncomfortable as well. If you were thinking about having the wedding far away, these are things that must be taken into consideration. You may want to revise your plans if your heart is set on having this woman in the bridal party.

Ceremony: It can be tiring for a pregnant woman, especially one in the last trimester, to stand for a long period of time. If you are having a long, religious ceremony, see if a seat can be arranged so your bridesmaid can sit down when she needs a rest.

Declined invitation: Some pregnant women will jump at the

chance to be in the wedding, while others may realize their limitations and prefer to attend only as a guest. Have another person in mind in case your bridesmaid invitation is declined, and do not hold it against the person if she feels she won't be able to commit during her pregnancy.

Patience: Although all eyes are generally on the bride on her special day, having a pregnant bridesmaid may garner a share of "oohs and aahs" and attention for her as well. It's a humble bride who can share her spotlight for a while. And remember, the "something new".

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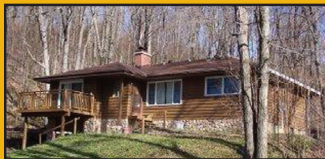
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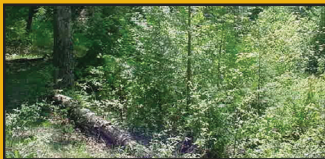
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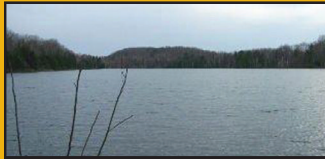
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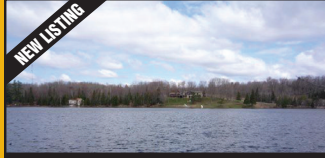
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Reads of the week



Book of the Week

The Longevity Project by Howard S. Friedman and Leslie R. Martin

We've been told that to live long we should obsess over what we eat, how much we stress, and how fast we run. Based on the most extensive study of longevity ever conducted, eating your vegetables, relaxation and exercise are important but not the most critical components to long life. Drs. Howard Friedman and Leslie Martin studied 1500 people at Stanford University to find out who lives the longest and why. Their fascinating book *The Longevity Project* is full of revelations based on compelling and well-substantiated evidence that busts many myths. You can request *The Longevity Project* in regular print, large print and e-book formats from the Haliburton County Public Library.

Junior Book of the Week: Picture Book Title

The Fairy Dogfather by Alexandra Day
From the author who brought you Carl, every young reader's favourite Rottweiler since 1985, comes a new doggy adventure. When a young boy, Hector, has trouble differentiating between the letters D and G, he writes a request to the universe for a fairy godfather only to find that a Fairy Dogfather has arrived instead. The Fairy Dogfather is a big black and brown dog who wears a fedora and beautiful brown jacket, smokes a cigar and uses big words - and he isn't at all what Hector

had in mind! Will this strange canine be able to grant Hector's wishes? Find out by requesting *The Fairy Dogfather* at the Haliburton County Public Library.

Local Celebrity Read

Ula Swiezawska, Grade 11 student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, recently read *Soul Surfer: A True Story of Faith, Family and Fighting to Get Back on the Board* by Bethany Hamilton, a non-fiction book which was recently adapted into a movie of the same title.

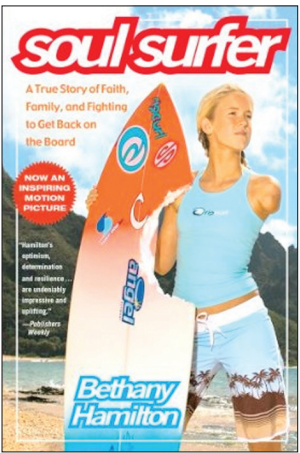
"Bethany wrote the book first; it is a memoir," explains Swiezawska. "She wanted to tell her story about how, when she was 14, she went surfing with a friend and was attacked by a shark. She lost her arm, and she wanted to write about how she got through that with the support of her friends and family."

Swiezawska chose to read *Soul Surfer* after a friend at camp recommended it to her. "I was at camp and a friend of mine had it," she says. "I began to read it and it was so inspiring. Bethany went through such a traumatic experience and she has still managed to con-



tinue with her passion of surfing. It shows that you can do anything that you set your mind to. It also shows that even when society is cruel you can still persevere."

"*Soul Surfer* was a very inspiring story to have read," says Swiezawska. "I've been passing on the recommendation to students at the school, and to anyone who wants to read a good autobiography."



News & Events

Check out our March Break children's programming! It's Kids Can Grow for children aged two to seven years - bringing art, nature and fun together! Programs run on March 14 at Minden branch from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., March 15 at Dysart branch from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., March 16 at Wilberforce branch from 1 to 2 p.m.

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Sports

Pride of Haliburton hold heads high

➤ Red Hawks hockey looks to future after COSSA semi-final loss

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

A first minute goal was all that was needed to dash the hopes and dreams of the Red Hawks boys' varsity hockey team during the AA Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics championship semi-finals in Belleville on Tuesday, March 6.

Down by the early goal proved to be insurmountable as their opponents, the North Hastings High School Huskies, used their size to keep second chance opportunities to a minimum and rode the hot hand of their goalie to shut out the Red Hawks 4-0.

After the loss Red Hawks head coach Ron Yake reminded the team to be positive and how at the start of the season there were a lot of question marks about the type of team they had.

"I told them to keep their heads up. They had a remarkable season, winning two large tournaments, and having a super season. They supported each player equally and many teams in Ontario have respect for the effort and discipline they can bring to each game," Yake said.

He also took the time to thank the veterans who will graduate for their leadership and efforts, which were key ingredients to a successful year.

Haliburton finished the regular Kawartha Boys High School Hockey League season undefeated (12-0) and held home ice advantage throughout the Kawartha playoffs.

Despite the early deficit, Yake said the team controlled the puck and out shot the Huskies two-to-one.

"We played our normal high paced fore-check game, but their size made it difficult to get many second chances. We

had a couple of power play opportunities in the second period. The powerplay had good control and a few great opportunities, but were unable to score," Yake said. "They scored two late in the second period that basically sealed the game for them. In the third we came out flying but again were unable to get the puck past their goalie. All in all, we probably out shot them 2-1, but they capitalized on a few chances and we were unable to get any magic happening as we did in the season or tournament games."

This was the third meeting between the two teams this season, including tournament play. Yake said this familiarity worked against them.

"They knew our strengths and style of game and tried to shut it down. They relied on their size in their end and a strong goalie. Both were key to their success. They had enough skill upfront to capitalize on a few chances. That was all that was needed in this game," he said.

Haliburton beat them once 4-2 in the Maxwell Tournament in Whitby and tied them 1-1 in the St. Peter's Saints Classic high school boys hockey tournament, both were won and considered highlights.

Next year's prospects for success look promising, he said.

"We have a total of 11 players potentially returning next year that are in Grade 10 or 11 this year. That will definitely be a strong nucleus to build on. The challenge will be developing a style that will best suit the group of guys we have," he said.

Both goalies Andrew Elia and Zach Harrison, players Greg Clements, Carson Roberts, Aaron Hillier, Chad LaRue and Ryan Hunter are graduating including leading scorer Brett Yake.

In conclusion Yake is proud of what his team accomplished.

"Winning is not easy. We had the opportunity to feel that joy two times this year. That was special. Did we want more - yes, but winning is not easy. The team played as a team, and that we are all proud of," he said.

- with files from coach Ron Yake

“**Did we want more – yes, but winning is not easy. The team played as a team, and that we are all proud of.**

— Head coach Ron Yake

Hawks grip to success

➤ Coneybeare finishes sixth at the all provincials while Zondervan shows his quality

Paul Klose
Special to the Echo

The 2011-2012 wrestling season came to a fantastic finish last week. Six wrestlers from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School travelled to Peterborough to compete at the 2012 Ontario Federation of Schools Athletic Associations (OFSAA) Wrestling Championships, where 860 of the best athletes from around the province battled for gold.

This year, the OFSAA championships was hosted by the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics (COSSA) region. Coach Roger Jenkins from Crestwood Secondary School convened the tournament, which ran from March 5 to 7. It was a tremendous feat to transform the Peterborough Memorial Centre into a first-class wrestling venue. Over 200 volunteers worked together to help make the event an overwhelming success.

Haliburton wrestlers once again showed that they can compete with the best in the province. Congratulations to Bailey Walker (54kg), Liz Toth (64 kg) and Keith Burley (83 kg) on their solid performances at OFSAA.

Grade 10 student Nichole Honderich (44kg) stunned many senior wrestlers at the competition. In her first appearance at OFSAA, she wrestled extremely well to end with two wins and two losses. Coaches Paul Klose and Dan Fockler look forward to her growth in the years that lie ahead. She has tremendous potential as a wrestler and demonstrates spirited passion and commitment toward the sport.

Zane Zondervan (77 kg) finished a tremendous high school wrestling career with a respectable record of three wins and two losses. This is Zondervan's second consecutive trip to OFSAA, placing in the top eight both time. Few wrestlers have achieved this level of success. The HHSS wrestling program was fortunate to have Zondervan as a member. His dedication toward wrestling is unparalleled. He will be missed as he continues to pursue the sport at the University of Guelph. His leadership has helped to develop many younger wrestlers at HHSS.

The women's team was led by Lily Coneybeare (67.5 kg). Coneybeare wrestled her best matches ever to take home 6th place out of 32 athletes. Her gritty performance and desire to win resulted in a record of four wins and two losses. The coaches agree that Coneybeare's journey to the provincial podium was one of the highlights of the tournament and a great way to cap off the season.

Congratulations to the entire team for a terrific season!

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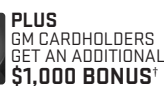
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Minden curlers capture provincial university title

➤ Walker and Cyr help to make Waterloo OUA curling winners

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

Three times is the charm, as Minden's Jake Walker and Ed Cyr brought the Waterloo University Warriors their first Ontario University Association (OUA) curling title since the 2004-05 season.

Both in their third year with the Warriors, Walker, skip, and Cyr, vice, helped their team capture the OUA title with a 3-2 win over the Carleton University Ravens held in Guelph in mid-February. The Warriors enter the nationals with an 18-3 record.

The Warriors' skip, who won the Canadian Junior Curling Title in 2010, saw this as an important win for him and the team.

"We've tried for a couple years and now we have it. And going onto [the Canadian Interuniversity Sport 2012 Curling Championships] will be even more important so winning CIS will mean becoming team Canada again, which I really, really want to do and I know that the guys want to do as well," he said.

"We went into this competition just trying to have fun. The team got along really well. We played well and it was a blast so we're happy to go to CIS," Cyr said.

Both players have every intention of defending their title next year.

Cyr said his career highlights include the provincial junior final against Walker and winning the men's (19 and older) Colt's Provincials.

Not content with only the provincial title, both are setting their sights on the Canadian Interuniversity Sport 2012 Curling Championships, which are being hosted in St. Catharines at the Welland Curling Club by Brock University from March 14 to 18.

The road to the title game included a game against friend and former high school teammate Connor Duhaime of the University of Ontario Technology.

"To play against him was fun and there's less stress because we know each other," Walker said.

"It came down to the last shot. It was a lot of fun. I'm sure it could have gone either way that day. We got lucky I guess and won," Cyr said. "We had to take three in the last end to win so it was a really close game (7-6)."

Although the field in the OUA battle for the title was strong, Walker said the team

took a little longer to adjust to the ice surface, having difficulties with reading it.

"We struggled at the beginning mainly because we hadn't figured out the ice yet. It was difficult. It was definitely difficult ice," he said. "It was tough in the sense we couldn't play certain shots that we're used to playing. It eliminated a lot of possibilities for us, which made it a little more difficult. Every team out there they resorted to playing a little more defensively as opposed to putting rocks in play. And that's how we played as well."

For Walker having a pair of all-stars on the team this year gave him great latitude for shot calling in the title fight and the season.

"It's amazing having these guys play in front of me. It definitely opens up a lot of doors as far as what kinds of shots we can play because I have complete confidence in these guys," he said.

Cyr was named as an OUA first-team all-star and teammate James Freeman, lead, was named a second-team all-star. All-stars are voted by curling peers by team within the OUA, Cyr said, who appreciated the recognition for a strong year.

"It's a pretty big honour I think to think that everyone thought I played well or more people thought I played [better] than others. I'm a good person so I think they take that into account too," he said. "I'm really happy that I got that."

Also recognized was their coach Scott Allen, who was voted as the coach of the year.

Walker said his team wouldn't be doing anything special to prepare for the nationals.

"Our mentality going into every game is to play our game. We very seldom adjust our game depending on who we're playing," Walker said.

The two former Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Red Hawks love all the support they get, but particularly when it comes from Haliburton County.

"They're not only cheering on myself, or the rest of my team, but [Ed too] specifically when they are from our own home town it does mean a lot to us because having that support just drives that motivation to win," Walker said.

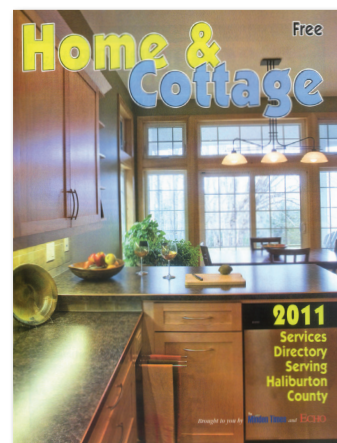
Cyr is in regular contact with former coach Tom Dibblee through email and Facebook.

"I still get emails from our high school curling coach, cheering us on all the time so it's good to hear things like that," Cyr said. "The fact that you're not just cheering for yourself and you have people cheering for you it's very comforting and motivating."



Kyle Rodriguez Special to the Echo

The Waterloo Warriors team of Nathan Ransom, spare, James Freeman, lead, Geoff Chambers, second, Ed Cyr, vice, Jake Walker, skip, and Scott Allen, coach, hold the 2012 OUA Curling Championship banner held at the Guelph Curling Club on Feb. 16 to 20. Copyright Kyle Rodriguez



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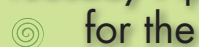


Photos above, clockwise, from top left, Ginny Carmichael, skip, Mary Hillaby, vice, Laraine Forgrave, second, and Judy Cole, lead won the event; Andrea Kerr, skip, Carolyn Northcott, vice, Sue Beard, second, and Louise Ferri, lead finished second; Sandra Duchemin, skip, Jan Ashall, vice, Ann McIvor, second, Wendy Hewson, lead, in third place; Christine Acton, skip, Pam Byers, vice, Rose Doyle, second, and Barbara Davidson, lead, at the 36th annual Highland Lassie Bonspiel held at the Haliburton Curling Club on March 3.

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Lassies crowned for 2012

The 36th annual Highland Lassie Bonspiel held on March 3 was another successful event at the Haliburton Curling Club. This year, nine out-of-town teams welcomed clubs from Unionville, Newmarket, Lakefield, Keene, Ilderton, Port Perry and Peterborough as well as seven local teams from the Haliburton club. In spite of the wintry, windy weather, all teams arrived safely and eager to play. To celebrate the start of the tournament and to add that special tradition of curing, the curlers were piped onto the ice by Earl Cooper and Ashley Kirby. What a terrific start!

At the end of the day, the Haliburton team of Ginny Carmichael, Mary Hillaby, Laraine Forgrave and Judy Coles was crowned the new Highland Lassie winner of 2012. Following close behind, and last year's defending champion, was the Unionville team of Andrea Kerr, Carolyn Northcott, Sue Beard and Louise Ferri. Third place went to the Haliburton team of Sandra Duchemin, Jan Ashall, Ann McGivnor and Wendy Hewson. Fourth place winner as the Port Perry team of Christine Acton, Pam Byers, Barbara Davidson and Rose Doyle. This year's spe-

cial award, the Sassy Lassies, went to the Richardson team from Keene.

Many thanks to our co-sponsors Country Pickin's and Haliburton Subway. After viewing many of the new spring fashions on display by Country Pickin's, several out-of-town ladies went on a speedy shipping excursion. The tasty afternoon snacks provided by Subway were a crowd pleaser.

The success of the bonspiel is the result of many enthusiastic and helpful volunteers. Karen Saunders catered a delicious lunch that was served by four dapper gentlemen curlers. Drawmaster and scoring duties were handled smoothly by Bob MacNaull and Glen Smith. Many donations for the raffle table from local businesses and from some creative and artistic curlers made everyone eager to buy tickets and be a winner. Donations from participating curlers to the loonie auction had the loonies adding up as bidders anticipated what was in those hidden packages.

Many thanks to all of these volunteers and to all of the curlers, too. See you again next year.

- submitted by Laraine Forgrave

Bantam B girls make championship weekend

The Minden Car Quest Highland Storm Bantam B girls' hockey team earned a berth into the OWSA All-Ontario Championship weekend Thursday with a tie game against Clearview Ice Kats. The Storm girls won their provincial play-down best of three (four point) series versus Clearview four points to two with a 1-1 tie game. The girls are peaking at the right time and plying some of their best play-off hockey. The 1-1 tie followed a 0-0 tie on Wednesday, the previous night in Haliburton where Connor Marsden earned the shut-out in the scoreless tie. Thursday, March 8, the Storm girls travelled to Nattawasaga to play game three of their best of three series. The Highland squad needed a win or a tie to advance to championship weekend on April 13, 14 and 15. Clearview opened the scoring mid-way through the first period on a power play goal in a goal-mouth scramble. The teams battled hard the remainder of the game and following a Storm time-out with 1:34 left on the clock, a face-off in the Ice Kat end and the Storm goalie pulled ... Sydney Feir jammed home a loose puck with 17.5 seconds left on the game clock. The tie gave the Minden Car Quest "Don Cherry muckers" the fourth point needed to win the series. Strong goaltending, stingy "trio" (and tireless) defence by Kennndal Marsden, Jamie Little and Maddie Allore along with forward contingent of grinders made the difference in this character (series winning effort) tie game effort by the Highland Storm Bantam B girls' hockey team. Stay focused girls as we prepare for the OWSA All-Ontario Championship weekend in April.

Submitted by Dan Marsden

Bantam Storm AEs advance to finals

The Bantam Storm sponsored by Dave's Landscaping/McKee Security entered the weekend with their OMHA semi-final series versus Brighton tied at one game apiece. Both teams opened up cautiously. Our home team gradually began to take control of the game and the visitors responded by icing the puck at every opportunity. The Storm opened the scoring when Brenden McKee outfought two Brighton players in the corner and got the puck to Jaydon Wood who in turn fed Kyle Lavergne with a perfect pass across the crease which he quickly buried it into the empty net. Wood scored next as he picked up a rebound of a Ryan Edwards shot and beat the goalie with a hard, accurate wrist shot to the top corner. The Braves got one back with 20 seconds left in the period.

The second period was a hard hitting affair as Brighton looked to take control of the series by using their size advantage to intimidate the smaller team. The Storm however answered the bell and responded with a punishing brand of hockey that had the penalty boxes full and Brighton rethinking their strategy. Josh Rowden scored the only goal of the period as he went hard to the net and poked home a pass from Lucas Esson with Wood picking up another assist. The rough stuff continued into the third period and once more the Storm were up to the challenge. Hunter Bishop scored off the face off as he took control, skated across the crease and slipped the puck between the goalkeeper's legs. Brenden McKee finished off the scoring for the night with Caleb Schmidt and Jaydon Wood, with his fourth point of the night, drawing the assists. Austin McKay took the win with a solid effort in between the pipes.

The Storm went to Brighton on Saturday looking to finish off

the series but unfortunately it was not to be. In another rough and tumble affair Brighton scored two power play goals in the first period and rode that lead to a 2-1 victory. Hunter Bishop had the only goal for the Storm, tipping in an Angus Sullivan point shot. Sunday's deciding game was destined to be a barn burner as neither team was willing to back down. With another large crowd at the Haliburton arena it was Brighton who opened the scoring to deflate the home team and home town fans. Down one to nothing in the first Brenden McKee scored in tight on a great feed from behind the net by Kyle Lavergne, with Lucas Esson drawing the second assist. Brighton scored at the 9:59 mark to take the lead once more but Hunter Bishop tied it up with Ryan Edwards and Jaydon Wood assisting.

With the score tied at two, and a berth in the OMHA finals on the line, the third period produced the most intense moments of the year to date. With less than three minutes left in the game Kyle Lavergne sent Brenden McKee away on a one-on-two break. McKee, with the heart and determination that characteristically describes his play was not to be denied. He burst through the two defenders, who in an attempt to contain him could only haul him down, and yet from his knees he managed to sweep the puck through the goalie's legs and send the fans into a state of frenzy. Brighton pulled their goalie and Hunter Bishop, with Lavergne assisting, scored into the empty net to ice the game. The Braves scored once more but the Storm hung on for the victory. Austin McKay was the winning goalie. The Bantam Storm now face Tavistock in the OMHA finals with the schedule yet to be determined.

Submitted by Doug Sullivan

The clock runs out on Wilberforce's chance at Hockeyville

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

Highlands East was unable to score as their attempt to win Kraft Hockeyville this year as their campaign officially ended on March 3. Wilberforce entered the competition, which would see the winning community host a pre-NHL hockey game and receive arena upgrades in the neighbourhood of \$100,000, in December 2011. One of hundreds of communities who took part throughout the country, Wilberforce did not make it through to the top 15 round, which was announced live on CBC just after 11 p.m. March 3. Steven Kauffeldt, municipal councillor for Highlands East, spearheaded the local effort and is grateful to the community for all of their support.

"The town pulled off an amazing feat. We did very well," said Kauffeldt.

The annual competition is geared to places that share a passion for hockey and community spirit. During Wilberforce's run, a number of free public skates were held at the Keith Tallman Memorial Arena and artwork was created by the students at Wilberforce Elementary School. Upon hearing the news they would not be moving on to the next round, Kauffeldt was disappointed.

"I'm very, very proud of Wilberforce and the way they handled it ... it was tough," said Kauffeldt.

The neighbouring community of Bancroft made the top 15, which Kauffeldt was quick to lend his support to and hopes others do, too. There were many lessons learned that could help if the community decides to enter next year's competition, said Kauffeldt.

"There's room for another run next year. It was a good test run this year ... it was a learning curve and a learning experi-

ence for us," he said

The organizer has no regrets and believes everyone put in a valiant effort.

"There are a lot of people to thank: the community for one. Thank you to everybody that supported us," he said.

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Tim Tofflemire Special to the Echo

Community Living president Gina Atkinson cuts a rug at the organization's fundraising dance at Carnarvon Bowl and Restaurant Saturday, March 10. Money raised will go toward a vehicle for the service group.

Dance raises funds for Community Living

Thank you to everyone who came out to support Community Living on Saturday. We had a great time at the spring dance in Carnarvon and came closer to our goal of fundraising for the purchase of a van to help us do our great work. The people we serve danced the night away surrounded by the community that supports our programs.

Our goal is to purchase a van and trailer to help Community Living offer the wonderful programs that are needed our community.

The vehicle will be used for recreational outings, employment supports and community participation. It will also be made available to Special Olympics to help them get to the wonderful events they participate in. If you missed this last dance, stay tuned for our next one.

It will be held on April 14 and we will be announcing the location and the live band soon. Yes, a live band – some of our amazing local talent.

Get ready to party! A big thank you to our board of directors for all their hard work. With their efforts, Community Living will continue to move forward with the tools and direction we need for the important work we do.

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All creditors and others having claims against the Estate of **DARLENE ISABELLE FEARREY**, late, of the Township of Dysart, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about the 15th day of February 2012, are required to file the particulars of such claim with the undersigned solicitor for the said Estate on or before the 4th day of April 2012.

AND TAKE NOTICE that after the last date named, the assets of the said Estate will be distributed amongst the persons entitled hereto by the Estate Trustee of the Estate, having regard only to the claims of which the solicitor below shall have notice.

Dated at Haliburton, Ontario this 7th day of March 2012.

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NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD

DATE: March 26th, 2012

TIME: Any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

APPLICATIONS:

The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has, by resolution, declared the following parcels of land to be surplus. These parcels of land are parts of an original allowance for road located in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton.

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- Part of Unnamed Road, Registered Plan No. 226, Geographic Township of Harburn.
- Defined as Part 1, Plan 19R-9255, a plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Surveying Ltd. dated December 15th, 2010, being available for review in the Planning Department.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portion of road allowance described above.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (8:30 am. to 4:30 pm. Monday to Friday).

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Contest shows oral communication may be a thing of the past

On Saturday, Feb. 25 the Haliburton Legion, branch 129, hosted its annual public speaking contest. This contest is open to all boys and girls from Grade 1 to Grade 12.

This year's participation was again disappointing, of the hundreds of students in our public system, only eight were encouraged to attend. It is my understanding that public speaking is no longer part of the educational curricu-

lum, which would account for the demise of a subject that in my opinion should be a priority. Some may feel that in today's digital society, oral communication is a thing of the past. Of course it is not, and never will be. If anything, those who have the ability to communicate verbally and show self-confidence, are going to have an advantage, both in university and college and later when seeking employment. Those young students that presented interesting topics to the audience, did indeed do very well and we congratulate each of them. The winner of each category will now go on to represent Haliburton at the zone level to be held in Bobcaygeon on Sunday, March 25. We wish them good luck.

We wish to thank our judges for donating their time and doing a fine job. They were Tom Parish, Suzanne Sovereign and Joan Cameron.

None of this would be possible without the help of several Legion helpers. Thanks go to vice-president Jack Greavette, Chris and Wilf Guenette, Janet Burley, Callum Wood, Bill Timms and Mary Hambly.

Grades 1, 2 and 3 Division - Stuart Baker Elementary School, three to five minute speech. Speakers included: Kristina Barry, Olivia Johnson, Hailee Rogers. The winners were: 1st - Olivia Johnson, 2nd- Kristina Barry, 3rd Hailee Rogers.

Grades 4, 5 and 3 Division - J. D. Hodgson Elementary School, three to five minute speech. Speakers included: Seamus Jarrett-Lynch, Alex Taylor, Kayla Bird. The winners were: 1st - Alex Taylor, 2nd- Seamus Jarrett-Lynch, 3rd Kayla Bird.

Grades 7, 8 and 9 Division - J. D. Hodgson Elementary School, three to five minute speech. Speakers included: Colt Taylor. The winners were: 1st - Colt Taylor,

Grades 10, 11 and 12 Division - Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, five to seven minute speech. Speakers included: Keith Burley. The Winners were: 1st - Keith Burley.

The first place speakers from all four groups will advance to the zone level competition.

This will be held at the RC Legion in Bobcaygeon, on Sunday, March 25. Registration and refreshments from 12 p.m. with the competition starting at 1 p.m.

We wish each of our competitors continued success. If they win at zone, they will then move on to complete at the district level, followed by the area level and provincial level, dates and locations to be announced.

Congratulations to all our winners. They will receive their trophies and prizes at the Youth Awards Night to be held at the Legion on Friday, April 20 at 7 p.m.

Submitted by Brian Hambly, Youth Education chairperson, RCL branch 129

Coming Events

Haliburton Soccer Club Early Bird Registration

HHSS Gym Foyer
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community calendar

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March 13-17: Welcome to the Haliburton Highlands Museum's Old-time Maple Syrup Demonstrations. Made possible by the generous assistance of HCDC" Our Iron Kettle will be steaming away over an open fire daily March 13th - March 17th. Enjoy the trails, take in the sights and sounds of spring, roar down the toboggan hill, and check out our exhibits. For your listening enjoyment there will be live music on our stage Friday and Saturday afternoons. For more info call 705 457-2760

March 17: St. Patricks day Concert, located at West Guilford Community Centre at 7:30p.m. Donations at the door proceeds to HHHS

March 31: Gooderham United Church Easter Bake & Craft Sale 10a.m. To 3p.m. Lunch Available including Homemade soup, sandwiches deserts and beverages

• **Welcome to TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly)** Monday Mornings located at Community Care weigh in begins at 9:30a.m. Short meeting after call Don or Mary Jane at 705-447-2420

• **Community Care Haliburton County Social Recreation** (in the drop-in centre) Wii games - Tuesday 9:30 a.m. - noon Contract Bridge - Monday 1-4 p.m. Cribbage - Fridays 1 - 4 p.m. For any additional information call 705-457-2941 Ext. 226

• **Haliburton Highlands Hand Weavers & Spinners Guild** meet at the Zion United Church, Carnarvon on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1:30pm For more information call Marian Gillanders at 705-489-3574

• **The Haliburton Highland's Rug Hookers** meet every other Monday at the Minden Legion from 10-2. Learn traditional rug hooking or bring an ongoing project. Call Linda 705-447-1169 or Peggy 705-286-3387

• **Help to Preserve our History** with a veterans museum Wanted: British, Canadian or German WWI and WWII items Uniforms, helmets and caps and metals, photographs, shells and weapons. Please do not donate money. Items broken or in part are welcome. Contact Martin Hofland at 705-457-2382

• **Minden Food Bank** is in desperate need of more volunteers. For any one interested they can call the Food Bank from 9-4 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays or by emailing us at mindencommunityfoodbank@bellnet.ca. Thanks in advance for your assistance.

• **Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636** will be hosting a musical performance by The Kellett Family on Saturday, March 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.. The afternoon includes 'Open Mic' time for anyone that want to take

the stage and there will be meat draws with tickets purchased at the event. The public is invited to join us at the intersection of Hwy #35 and County Road #21.

• **Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636** is looking for volunteers to help out in the branch kitchen. If you can spare a few hours each week to help the Legion continue their support to the community and the membership please call the branch at 705-286-4541. It will be much appreciated.

• **SMART Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together** is a safe, gentle exercise program to maintain strength, balance and flexibility. \$2 per session. In Minden Tuesdays at 1:30 p.m. in Hyland Crest auditorium. Thursdays in Haliburton at Echo Hills at 1:00pm. To register call Carol at 705-286-2500 ext. 265 or Melanie Therrien (VON) at 800-743-6255 ex 6451.

• **TOASTMASTERS** meet at the Minden United Church Wednesdays at 7pm Everyone Welcome ages 18 - 80. What is TOASTMASTERS ? Visit www.toastmasters.org

• **Volunteer Recruitment: Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services** is currently recruiting volunteers Training provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack, 705-324-7323, ext. 274 or emaccormack@community-care.on.ca.

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Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis**. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be emailed to jmceathron@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.

NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Contribute recipes to Guilford cookbook

West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Word is out that there is a cookbook in the making. Some of you have received a call about contributing a recipe for it. It is hoped that this recipe book from local people will be printed and published ready for sale on Canada Day.

Call me or Nancy Brink (705-754-2516) for more details. You may drop off the recipes at Bill's store where the person on duty at the cash register is already informed and waiting with the folder to accept your written contribution for the cookbook.

Keep in mind the March 22 meeting of the historical society when Michael Barnes will be speaking on the Order of Canada.

A final reminder that our Irish entertainment on March 17, St. Patrick's Day proper, at 7:30 p.m. at the community centre in Guilford.

The program's fleshing out nicely and promises to be a lot of fun.

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Services.

Euchre scores for March 6: high, Barbara Robitaille and Reg Coulter; low, Normal Geddes and Ron Bain; most lone hands, Maureen Laplante and Henk van Nood.

On Feb. 27, Canoe FM volunteers were given a course on accessible customer service training at the library in Haliburton.

This was chaired and led by Angela (Sisson) Balle who is deputy clerk and administrative assistant for human resources for the County of Haliburton.

The Barrier Aware training team consists of Rob Young, Deb Everitt, Bev (Madill) Kraulis and Angela Balle, the Barrier Aware coordinator.

The course gave us information about how people with disabilities manage to move about in public, which often doesn't cater to the visually impaired or those in wheelchairs, for example.

We did a little role-playing and I found out how it felt to be ignored or put in second place when it was my turn to be interviewed.

INFORMATIVE WORKSHOP MINIMIZING TOXIN EXPOSURE

March 17th 12:00 – 1:00 pm



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Coming Events



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MONDAY MARCH 26-WORK

MONDAY APRIL 2-COMMUNITY

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1:00 - 1:15pm – Welcomes & Introductions

1:15 - 2:00pm – Keynote Speaker:
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Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto

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The surprisingly strange ecology of sugar maple canopies

2:00 - 4:00 pm - Networking with Community Hosts & Students
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Enjoy a St. Patrick's Day lunch on March 17

Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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Of Irish descent or not, you can enjoy a pleasant lunch on St. Patrick's Day. The Wilberforce United Church people are presenting a lunch and book sale on Saturday, March 17 between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Delicious Irish stew sounds good to me.

The following week on Thursday, March 22, there will be soup, bread, cake and coffee at a loonie lunch at St. Margaret's Anglican Church.

We hear that Wilberforce did not make it into the finals in an attempt to be Hockeyville next year. There surely was a lot of fun in trying for it. Better luck next time.

The Children and Parents or Grandparents Bonspiel on March 10 was great fun as six teams participated. The Donovan Trophy was presented to the winning team by Jim's grandsons. In first place was the team of Doug Stephen, his 10-year-old grandson Graham Clowes, Christine Berning and her mother Brenda.

In second place was the team of George Callfas, his son Lloyd, Ron Roberts and Victor Townsend. Everyone received prizes, enjoyed the games and had a great lunch.

Thanks to Melanie Lewis and Tammy Vaughan and all who organized this fun day of curling. What a good way to start the March Break.

Remember to enjoy the Kids Can Grow program at the Wilberforce library Friday, March 16 from 1 to 2 p.m. It's for children age two to seven. And there's *The Muppets Movie* to see at the Cardiff Community Centre Saturday, March 17 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Meanwhile this scribe took a break from writing, curling, quilting and cataloguing museum artifacts for a couple of weekends in Toronto. Performances of *Sleeping Beauty* and *La Fille Mal Gardée* by the National Ballet of Canada were truly exciting.

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Upcoming Event - St. Patrick's Day Dance - Saturday March 17 9 p.m. to close. With our own Tom Coghlan and Company.



Legion executive president Mary Dunne and youth and education chair Ed Otto congratulate the winners of the public speaking contest at Wilberforce Elementary School. Above left, intermediate winner Carmen Galea. Above right, junior winner Mikaela Kauffeldt. /Photo submitted by Jan Simon

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How to Apply:

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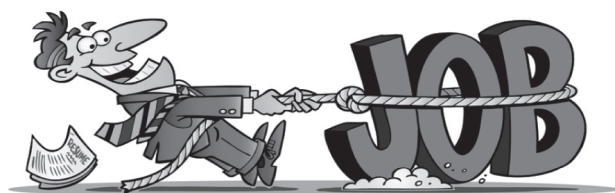
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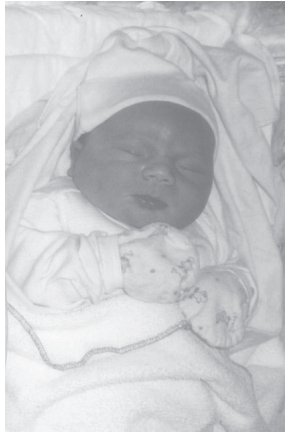
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Heather Wilkinson-Bryan
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January 16, 1943 - March 17, 1992
Recipient of two heart transplants

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We shed some tears
You had so much left to do
These past twenty years

For all of your planted seeds
Your efforts were not in vain
People remember you and your good deeds
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Into adults that would make you proud
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The man who lives above a cloud

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For all the kind and loving care given to Mom at Extendicare and for the excellent medical care by Dr. Karl Hartwick, we will be eternally grateful.

May God bless all of you and my his light shine upon you.

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Thank you, I would like to personally thank all that helped me during the situation I was in starting February 16th. First I need to thank the paramedics Adam Payne and Ian Douglas for responding so quickly. thank you to the Haliburton Hospital Emergency Department for diagnosing my condition and Acute Care for looking after me when I returned a week later from Peterborough ICU. Also thank you to all my friends and family for their support.

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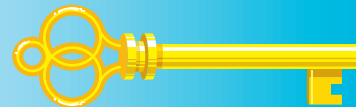
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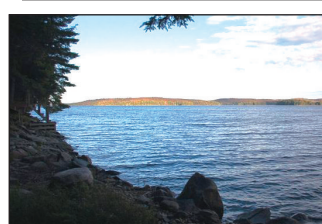


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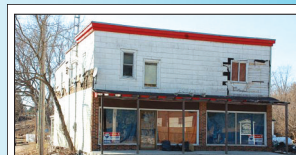
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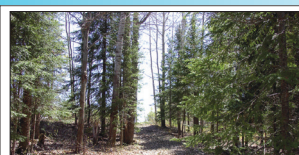


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